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SUMMIT TALKS

The United States finds itself in a position whereby another round of summit conferences can hardly be avoided. Because of the position of our allies, and the international situation, it is probably necessary to participate.

It is unfortunate, of course, that the talks will naturally revolve around an artificial crisis—the Berlin crisis. It should be kept in mind that the reason for the U. S. reluctance to join in summit talks at this time has been based on the belief that there was no crisis other than the one artificially manufactured by Premier Nikita Khrushchev in Moscow. The United States cannot afford to appease Russia, or East Germany, at this time. It may be that we will agree to do business with East Germany, on some sort of mutually satisfactory basis, in order to keep our supply routes open to Berlin, but we should never agree to put out of Berlin under Russian threats or in an atmosphere of crisis and danger created, purposely and artificially by the Russians.

We must stand firm, and while we probably must agree to a conference, we should concern ourselves with the entire German question, and with a number of other problems having been created by Russian aggression and domination, with Berlin only a small item on the agenda.

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ON POISONING CHILDREN

One of the best ways to poison little children is to leave all medicine bottles in the bathroom, or in the medicine chest, for years on end. Did you know that, in New York City alone, there were 4,000 poisonings of little children in 1958?

As a major spring cleaning project, how about cleaning out the medicine cabinet, and get rid of old medicine bottles and boxes!

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THE BOLIVIAN QUESTION

It is interesting to note, in the light of the recent emotional outburst against the United States in Bolivia, that we are spending millions of dollars of our own money to improve economic conditions in Bolivia. It is true, of course, the Bolivians are in a pitiful state, and that poverty and economic hardship is rampant. That is not, however, the fault of the United States It seems to be a fairly common malady in the South American and Central American countries. The United States economic operation mission in Bolivia employs 120 Americans, on aid programs involving roads, agriculture, health and education. And in these programs, about 5,000 Bolivians are employed.

In some areas of the world, millions of American dollars have been poured out, only to find out that you cannot buy real friendship.

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EARN WHAT YOU WANT

It might be well for the young people of Appomattox to understand now that the majority of those who have anything in a world that worships money worked for what they have acquired.

Too often, the youthful mind is impressed with the easy accumulation of a fortune by some exceptional figure that looms large in the public consciousness, little realizing that such a career is the great exception among a mass of hard workers, who got to the top by the sweat of their brows, rather than through some streak of luck or opportunity.

More and more there is the conviction abroad that individuals who do not earn what they have are not entitled to their possessions. There is something in the thought.

If every youngster who begins a business life in the next ten years gets thoroughly imbued with the idea of giving value for money or rewards received, the business world will not be worried as much by the next period of depression and the chances are that the people of the next generation will find life a happier proposition.

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There is no substitute for brains, regardless of what you may be using.

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There are people who judge every individual by the size of his bank account.

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The trouble with most people, as we see it, is they talk too much about too little.

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Making new friends is one of the pleasant experiences that make life easier and brighter.

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Cooperation with other human beings is the way of civilization; the lone wolf is an aborigine.

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One reason so many of us fail to get rich is that we run from hard work like it might be a plague.

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Fond parents who seek to live their children's lives usually manage to mess up everything for everybody.

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Nearly every American thinks he is a writer except the men and who have to make their living by writing.

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Most parents take credit for the good points of their children, but wonder where the bad ones originated.

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Modern education, with all of its frills, has yet merely scratched the surface of the child-training problem.

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Washington Notes

Jobless Benefits Pushed

House Democratic leaders have mapped plans to try to push through a quick extension for a year of emergency jobless pay benefits — an action almost certain to draw new fire from the White House.

The emergency benefits costing an estimated $400,000,00 this year, are scheduled to end on April 1. HouseDemocratic Leader John W. McCormack (Mass.) estimates between 350,000 and 400,000 jobless workers would abruptly lose their benefits if the law dies. President Eisenhower has said he is against extending the payments.

School Milk Funds

Representative Johnston (D.,-Wisc.) said many states will have to curtail their school lunch milk programs before the end of the current school year unless Congress provides more funds.

Johnston expressed this view recently in introducing legislation to provide an additional $5,000,000 for the program during the fiscal year ending July 1. The current autorization for this fiscal year is $75,000,000. His bill would boost the authorization to $85,000,000 a year for the next two years.

Discount Rate Increased

Indicating concern about a possible upturn in inflation, the Federal Reserve Board has increased the discount rate at four reserve banks.

The discount rate has risen from 2½ per cent to 3 per cent at reserve banks in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago and Dallas. Similar increases are expected later at the eight other banks in the system.

Calf Production Down

Of a score of major producing states, only Texas, Oklahoma, South Dakota and Kansas produced more calves last year than in 1957.

Production for ath country as a whole—at 40,514,000 head — was down 1 per cent from 1957.

Passenger-Ship Proposal

Some Congressmen want the Federal Government to invest $100,000,000 in two commerical passenger ships. The argument: The ships could be used as troop carriers in war.

But Senator Dworshak (R., Idaho) disagrees. Says Dworshak: "In these days of 1,500-mile-per-hour plans, missiles with speeds of thousands of miles per hour, and fast submarines, a 30-mile-an-hour ship might just as well be standing still."

Ike Firm On Defense Plan

President Eisenhower is reported to be firm on his defense program despite Democratic demands for more men and missiles.

Senator Saltonstall (R., Mass.), a member of the Senate Preparedness Subcommittee, said Eisenhower had told party leaders recently that attempts to spend more would result in waste.

Humphrey Undecided

Senntor Hubert Humphrey 2(D.-Minn.) says he will decide by midsummer whether to be an aau-out candidate for the Presidential nomination in 1960.

If he does decide to try actively for the nomination he will enter next year's Wisconsin Presidential primary and others, primarily in the Midwest and on the West Coast.

KNOW THE WEATHER

By E. H. Sims

What connection is there between the dewpoint and dew?

There is only an indirect connection. The dewpoint does not control the formation of dew, though when the dewpoint is near the actual temperature, dew will form more quickly under proper conditions.

The dewpoint is that temperature at which the moisture in the air will reach the saturation point. In other words, if the temperature is ninety and the dewpoint eighty-five, a cooling of the air by five degrees will bring it to the verge of precipitation.

Dew will form, on a clear night, when the air is cooled sufficiently so that it deposits its moisture, but dew does not fall. It collects on things just as a glass of iced water in summer cools air touching it, and collects moisture on the outside of the glass—from the air.

Hazardous-Duty Pay

Teachers in some lower grades feel that they are at least entitled to as nuc hpay as other wild animal trainers. —Miami Herald.

Bald Statement

Then, there was the girl who was so narrow minded she only needed one earring. —Observer, Norfolk, Va.

Too much rest becomes a pain. —Homer.

Report Made on Local Christmas Seal Sale

From 23,444 letters mailed with Christmas Seals, 8,616 persons responded with a total of $12,236.32. In addition to this, there have been other contributions received from Piedmont Sanitorium, $137.08; the Bangle sale, $23.40; Longwood College YWCA Campus Chest, $23.60; in memorial, $10.00; late 1957 returns, $148.19; and the Negro Bond sale contributed $1,265.68. This brings the grand total received as of March 17, 1959, to $13,696.08. This amount is behind the 1957 Seal Sale by $226.48.

County total, March 17, are: Amelia, $1,006.80; Appomattox, $1,090.53; Buckingham, $1,068.83; Charlotte, $2,228.28; [illegible] $733.84; Lunenburg, [illegible] towday, $2,412.29; Po[illegible] 15, and Prince Edwa[illegible]

The Southside Tu[illegible] sociation express its [illegible] all who aided in this de[illegible] ed that 82.5% of the [illegible] received remains in the [illegible] area. 17.5% will go [illegible] and National Tuberc[illegible] tions, to maintain the [illegible] and for research.

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[illegible] March 23.- We are still [illegible] real cool weather. We [illegible] will bring us some real [illegible] weather.

[illegible] Mrs. Irby Wheeler visit[illegible] Mrs. John Gunter at [illegible] week. Mrs. Gunter has [illegible] sick list. Glad to hear [illegible] is improving, and we hope [illegible] a speedy recovery.

[illegible] Chick and daughter, [illegible] her baby, of Danville, [illegible] Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] Carson.

[illegible] Henry Beard and Lawrence, [illegible] and Mrs. E. L. Chick, Mrs. R. [illegible] Mr .and Mrs. E. W. [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Carson, [illegible] C .D .Drinkard attended [illegible] of Mr .W. C. Chick at [illegible] last Saturday after[illegible] We extend deepest sympathy [illegible] and brother and other [illegible]

[illegible] and Mrs. Herbert Matthews, [illegible] Orange, spent the week-end [illegible] father, Mr. J. O .David[illegible] other home folks. Mrs. W. [illegible] and Miss Edna Adcock, [illegible] Appomattox were the dinner [illegible] the Davidson home Sun[illegible]

[illegible] Henry Beard and Lawrence, [illegible] Mrs. Lester Carson, Rev. [illegible] and Mr. C. D .Drinkard [illegible] Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick [illegible] the week-end.

[illegible] and Mrs .Cantrell Smith and [illegible] Mr .and Mrs. E .O .Sho[illegible] and son spent Sunday with [illegible] Mrs. C. D. Carson.

[illegible] and Mrs. Clifton Drinkard [illegible] chburg, and Mr. C. D .Drink[illegible] Oakville were dinner guests [illegible] and Mrs. Howlette Drinkard, [illegible] Sunday.

Billy Bondurant, of South [illegible] spent the week-end here [illegible] parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wal[illegible]

[illegible] and Mrs. J .E. Herndon and [illegible] spent the week-end with Mr. [illegible] Jimmy Stratton and Kay [illegible] ton.

Charlene Thomas and boy [illegible] of Richmond, spent Sunday [illegible] parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle [illegible]

[illegible] and Mrs. Orange Burnett, of [illegible] Virginia are spending some [illegible] time with Mr .and Mrs .Rufus Burnette.

We are glad to know that little Bobby Nixon, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Kemp Nixon is improving, after being ill with double pneumonia. We hope for him a speedy get well.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W .Carson spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs . Etta Glenn, at Prospect.

PAMPLIN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Macon Fears and his mother, Mrs. Alfred Fears, of Lunenburg County, were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Letcher Bryant, of Pamplin.

FORESTRY SCHOLARSHIPS ARE BEING OFFERED

The Hopewell, Va., District of the Continental Can Company, Inc., Woodlands Division has announced that it will again in 1959 offer two forestry scholarships having total value of $4,000 each. Each scholarship is for $1,000 per year for four years of study in the field of professional forestry.

These two scholarships will be awarded to an outstanding high school graduate, one in Virginia and one in North Carolina. In announcing these scholarships, A. L. Wenrich, District Wooldands Manager for Continental said, "Through these scholarships, it is our hope to attract and encourage capable high school graduates to enter the rapidly expanding field of professional forestry in the South."

The successful applicants will be permitted to indicate their preference to attend the Forestry School at North Carolina State College, West Virginia University or Penn State University.

To be eligible, an applicant must meet the following qualifications:

1. Must be interested in the forestry profession as a career.

2. Must have a better than average scholanastic record.

3. Must have demonstrated leadership ability in school, community and church activities.

4. Must be of good character, with a pleasing personality.

5. Must have the ability to do creditable college work.

6. Must be a resident and recent graduate of a high school from one of the states and counties listed, or from an adjacent county which may bring forth an outstanding candidate.

Appomattox is on the list al eligible counties, as are most of the counties in this area.

Application forms and additional information about the scholarships may be obtained from the local high school principal. The completed application must be submitted not later than April 12, 1959.

Mrs. Webb's 4-H Club

Mrs .Webb's 4-H Club met on March 13. Ernest Harris gave a report on "How To Seed That Pasture." Brenda Hamlett's report was on "The Muskrat." Peggy Goggin gave a report on "The Beaver."

Mr. Gilliam gave an interesting report on "How to Raise Worms." Mrs .Anderson discussed bird feeders.

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DAIRY OUTLOOK IS BRIGHTER, ECONOMIST SAYS

The dairy outlook for Virginia is a little brighter than it was, reports Albert Ortego, Jr., milk marketing specialist at VPI Agricultural Extension Service.

Fluid milk sales in January 1959 were up about 4.5% over sales of January 1958. Based on records of the Virginia Milk Commission, the Bristol Federal Milk Marketing Order, and the Bluefield Marketing Order, January sales increased considerably more than milk production. Grade A milk production was up only about 1% above January a year ago. With sales up about 4.5% and production by less than 1%, the outlook for better milk prices this year is greatly improved, Ortego says.

If fluid milk sales can continue above the 1958 levels, without large increases in production, Grade A dairymen will have less milk sold for manufacturing purposes, thereby raising their blend price.

The previous outlook for 1959 was somewhat dimmer because fluid milk sales in 1958 were lower than in 1957, while at the same time milk production was up 2.5% in Virginia.

The number of milk cows and heifers, two years and over, on farms in Virginia, on January 1, 1959, was 410,000, a total of 8,000 head below a year earlier. This drop in cow numbers, and the expected favorable price of beef this year should prevent any significant increase in milk production.

DOCTOR TALK

By Benjamin B. Blackmon, M. D.

Lockjaw, or tetanus, is an extremely grave disease and, paradoxically, it is one of the most easily prevented diseases in medical practice.

Anyone who is acquainted with the morbid progression of tetanus once it is established in the system, cannot help but respect this dreaded and often fatal malady.

Without a doubt the most effective treatment for tetanus is adequate and early full immunization with several injections of a specially prepared vaccine which will render individuals permanently immune. It must be stressed, however, that booster doses are required on the average of every four years in order to perpetuate this permanent immunity.

In addition to periodic booster shots a prompt booster injection is needed following any kind of laceration, puncture or deep burn wound, and particularly when the wound is contaminated with dirt and other foreign material.

Farmers, fishermen, laborers of all types, and even women who work with gardening, and, of course, children, should, by all means, take advantages of this vital precautionary measure. For example, all those who enter the armed forces are routinely immunized for tetanus, for very obvious reasons.

Another important feature of permanent immunization is that it allows for the lack of necessity or ugency for using tetanus antitoxin prepared in horse serum. Many people are very strongly allergic to the injection of material containing horse serum. There is always the possibility of a fatal shock reaction because of sensitivity to horse serum.

The use of a tetanus toxoid booster which does not contain horse serum eliminates all the undesirable reactions attributed to horse serum antitoxin. I think it is prudent and wise for everyone to consult their physician about permanent immunization with tetanus toxoid.

FOREST FIRES ARE ON INCREASE IN THE LOCAL AREA

Forest fires, in the Division of Forestry's Farmville 10-county district, have burned more during 1959 than for the same period for 1958, the Farmville District Forester's office reports.

Fifty-three fires have burned 130 acres in the southside district in 1959, and only 3 fires burned 1¼ acres for the same period during 1958.

Forest wardens say the increase is caused by a drier condition in the forests this year, but the danger is increased since some landowners have not realized that rainfall in the area has been less than normal during 1959. A number of burning operations here escaped because proper precaution was not taken to keep these fires controlled.

The growth of weeds, grass and other vegetation is heavy this spring, say foresters, adding to the chance that fires will escape unless care is taken to keep them controlled.

Of the 53 fires in the district this year, 29 were caused by burning operations that escaped, and 12 by smokers. These are fires that could have been prevented, foresters say, if a little care had been taken. The remainder were from miscellaneous causes.

Forest wardens urge everyone to take extra care in burning and with fires in or near forestland.

About The Home

By Frances Deli

There are many beautiful evergreens that can be fashioned into effective indoor arrangements. It may be that flower arrangers overlook this field somewhat — or so it seems to us.

The simple beauty of the long-lasting Japanese umbrella - pine can be coupled with endless material to create eye-catching arrangements. Try clusters of small pine cones, Japanese lanterns or acorns —One or three fresh cut blooms can be used as focal points and changed when necessary This way it is possible to have the beauty of fresh flowers in your home all the time with little effort or expense.

The broad - leaved evergreens have long been popular with home-makers for background material in arrangements. The magnolia is outstanding in this department. It ranks as one of the most beautiful evergreens and can be used alone when the lovely dark green leaves have been oiled to a fine luster. They are long-lasting.

English ivy is a much used ground cover in many sections of the country, and has important special uses in indoor arrangements. There are several varieties with variegated leaves and different leaf shapes and sizes.

Mountain Laurel and all kinds of rhododendrons are valuable in arrangements of foliage. In flower, the mountain laurel is a favorite of many and lends itself to large and small arrangements equally well. Here again, the dark green foliage is shown to best advantage when oiled with mineral oil or furniture oil.

The holly really becomes "king" during the Christmas season. However, even when not in berry, the coarse - leaved foliage is interesting in home arrangements.

The list of evergreens suitable for arrangements could be endless. The best idea is to look around your grounds and see what you can find that you think would prove interesting in an arrangement for your home.

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